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Serial No: 09/661,429) Art Unit: 2815
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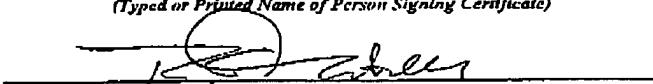
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RESPONSE TO FINAL ACTION MAILED 12/12/2003

Sir:

In response to the office action mailed 12-Dec-2003, the applicants submit the following remarks.

Remarks

The Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in claims 10 - 20 is noted with appreciation.

However, it is respectfully submitted that the Examiner has not properly distinguished between various concepts relating to line sharpness and emission wavelength, and that when such concepts are correctly applied, the Examiner's alleged motivation for the